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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2005, Applicant responds to the restriction requirement as follows:

In the Restriction Requirement the claims were divided into two groups.

Group I – Claims 1-11 and 16-33, drawn to a power supply terminal having an electronic part without a pair of electrodes; and

Group II – Claims 12-15 and 22-28, drawn to a surface mounting component with a pair of electrodes.

The examiner states in the office action of July 11, 2005 that Inventions II and I are related as combination and subcombination.

Applicant requests clarification of the restriction with regard to the claims, for example should group I be claims 1-11, 16-21 and 29-33?

Applicants elect Group I with a request for clarification.

Applicant's also elect Figs. 1-5 with traverse. Claims readable thereon are claims 1-5.

It is respectfully submitted that claim 1 is generic to claim 6, Fig. 6 and claim 8 dependent from claim 6.

If restriction is made between inventions A and AB and invention A is elected, invention A will be rejected or be found allowable. If invention A is found allowable, then invention AB is also allowable, and invention AB must be rejoined for examination and allowance with invention A because the assumption that the inventions lack unity of invention, that is, the assumption that the inventions are "independent" inventions, has been disproved.


Applicants contend that according to M.P.E.P. 809, "Any claim(s) directed to the non elected invention(s), previously withdrawn from consideration, which depends from or includes all the limitations of the allowable linking claim must be rejoined and will be fully examined for patentability. Where such withdrawn claims have been canceled by applicant pursuant to the restriction requirement, upon the allowance of the linking claim(s), the examiner must notify applicant that any canceled, nonelected claims(s) which depends from or includes all the limitations of the allowable linking claim may be reinstated by submitting the claim(s) in an

amendment. Upon entry of the amendment, the amended claim(s) will be fully examined for patentability."

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Respectfully submitted,



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